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Dear Mr. McWilliams:

I imagine that you heard about some of the activities here from Harold Baron who visited us a couple of weeks ago. These have been exciting times for us ~~and~~^{as} it has been in a number of North American universities recently.

I cannot in the course of a letter explain all that has transpired but I enclose two documents which may give you some idea of these events. The first document is a factual presentation which outlines the history of what has become known here as the "Anderson Affair". The second document which you might find more interesting was an attempt by some of us to quickly put together some of our ideas, from a radical prospective, about the nature of the University. Our idea was to offer at least the beginnings of a radical alternative to, what we considered to be, an infantile nihilism.

We are only now organizing a group of radical faculty and we hope to be able to refine our thoughts and also to project an immediate programme for University and societal change.

I gather that you are not really too interested in just having another story on chaos or student action, within the universities. There have certainly been many of these which vary in quality and in honesty. However, if this is the kind of thing you are interested in I could have it out to you quickly and easily. However, it would be a somewhat more difficult job to piece together the role that the

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faculty (and especially the radicals) have played in these events. If you are looking for an article on the faculty role within a student uprising then it would take me two to three weeks to put it together.

Yours sincerely,

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